

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SWARTZ ET AL. Examiner: UNKNOWN
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 Title: SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR AN
 OPERATIONS ARCHITECTURE TO IMPLEMENT A LOCAL SERVICE
 ACTIVATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a four-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed January 14, 2000, said period of response being extended from March 14, 2000 to July 14, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$1,360.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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